

NOTICE OF SOCIAL WORK (ASWB) EXAMINATION STATE OF NEBRASKA

SCHEDULE

EXAMINATION DATES: Monday through Saturday (hours vary)

LOCATION: Omaha, Nebraska
Columbus, Nebraska

Note: There are also testing sites in surrounding states – a comprehensive list of all testing sites will be provided by ASWB upon approval for examination

EXAMINATION ELIGIBILITY:

To be eligible to take the Advanced or *Clinical examination, all applicants must submit a completed examination application [enclosed] and submit an official transcript verifying receipt of a masters degree in social work from a program approved by the Council on Social Work Education.

Candidates with a masters degree in social work, who wish to provide mental health services (psychotherapy, counseling, etc) must take the *Clinical category* of the Association of Social Work Boards (ASWB) examination.

Candidates with a master's degree in social work, who wish to represent themselves as social workers and provide social work services only (case management, psychosocial assessments, etc) may choose to take **EITHER** the *Advanced or Clinical category* of the ASWB examination.

A separate application for licensure as a mental health practitioner or certification as only a master social worker will be required once an applicant has completed his/her post master's supervised experience.

EXAMINATION REGISTRATION PROCEDURE:

To register for the examination you must first receive approval from this office. The approval will be in the form of a letter. The letter will be mailed to you upon receipt of the completed examination application. You may call the ASWB Registration Center toll free at 1-888-5SW-EXAM (1-888-579-3926). Hearing impaired candidates may contact the Registration Center through their local Relay Service by calling 1-888-332-EXAM (toll free). Registrations are also accepted by mail and fax. **Please refer to the enclosed Candidate Handbook for complete examination instructions, OR they are available at:** <http://www.aswb.org>

Online Exam Registration

ASWB offers an online registration system that allows you to sign up for the examinations from your computer, and pay the exam fee through a major credit card (Visa, Mastercard, Discover).

In order to take an ASWB examination, you must register with ASWB and pay the required exam fee. After you register, ASWB will send you an email message confirming receipt of your registration or notifying you of problems with your registration, along with a link that will allow you to check the status of your registration. Please allow three business days to receive registration confirmation.

Please note: In order to register online, you **MUST** be eligible to take the social work examination and have received approval from this office.

The Web site is: <http://www.aswb.org>

TESTING PROCEDURES:

All testing centers administer the examination through an electronic delivery system. The system eliminates the use of paper and pencil answer sheets. Examination questions and multiple-choice responses are presented on a touch-sensitive screen. Candidates read the questions on the screen and press their finger on the screen to select their answer. Knowledge of computers and typing are NOT required.

EXAMINATION CONTENT:

Refer to the candidate handbook for an outline of the percentage of questions per content area for either the Advanced or Clinical category of the ASWB examination.

SCORING CRITERIA:

Nebraska requires candidates to achieve a scaled score of at least 75.

RESULTS:

After completing the test, candidates will alert the Testing Center registrar who will provide assistance and **immediately score** the examination. You will receive your score before you leave the testing center. Those who fail the examination will be given diagnostic information as well as directions on how to reapply for a future test. You must wait at least 90 days before retaking any ASWB examination. ASWB will also send official notification of your test scores to our office, usually within 2-3 weeks.

FEES:

Examination Fee:	\$260.00	Payment must be made at the time of registration for the examination with ASWB. Payment must be sent directly to ASWB in the form of a Certified Check, Money Order, or Credit Card
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OTHER:

In order to take the examination, all applicants must select the appropriate examination for licensure or certification (*Advanced or Clinical for CMSW only or Clinical for LMHP*) and return the enclosed examination application. If you have any questions, please contact Cindy Kelley, at (402) 471-4905.

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